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September 27, 2018

Ms. Courtney Avery, Administrator  
**Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board**  
**Illinois Department of Public Health**  
525 West Jefferson Street, Second Floor  
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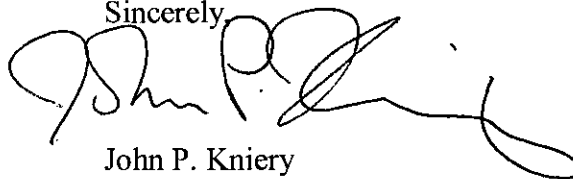
**Re: Project No. 18-016**

Dear Ms. Avery:

Please accept the enclosed support letter from St. John, Indiana's building and zoning department for the above referenced project.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



John P. Kniery  
Health Care Consultant

**ENCLOSURE**



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September 19, 2018

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It is my understanding that TCO JV, LLC, a joint venture between the Leo Brown Development Group and Ignite Medical Resorts, propose to establish a brand new, state of the art 84-bed long-term care skilled nursing facility in Health Service Area 8. The project was previously approved by the Illinois Health Facility and Service Review Board and now will be located directly across the street from Centegra Hospital- McHenry (and its original project site) on the corners of Bull Valley Rd and Ridgeview in McHenry, Illinois.

I believe that a facility of this type will help fill a need for senior citizens and health care placement needs in your community. In addition, I believe that this undertaking will help to beautify the surrounding neighborhood and improve the overall health care services provided to the area residents of McHenry and McHenry County.

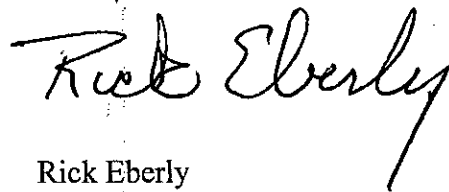
I worked with Tim Fields when he was with the development group that brought Symphony of Dyer to the town of Dyer in 2014. At that time, I was the Town Administrator for Dyer. I retired from that position in April of 2016 but I remember the experience well. There were several months of careful deliberations and due diligence in exploring the public/private partnership that brought Symphony to Dyer.

Dyer officials were so convinced of the merits of such a development that the town participated in funding the endeavor through the creation of a creative bond financing. Symphony of Dyer is an assisted living and transitional care facility with 30 rooms on the second floor of the building providing assisted living apartments while the first floor has 100 rooms for the transitional care component of the development. Additionally the dining room is open to the public for those who might wish to enjoy an evening out in what is a first class facility. The facility itself is a medical facility with the feel of a 5 star resort and it has lived up to that billing.

It opened in June of 2015 and has maintained a strong record of occupancy since opening. It has provided some 130+ jobs to the community with most of those being full time positions. Fast forward 3 years and the decision to participate in the public/private venture has been confirmed as an outstanding decision and the citizens of Dyer have an excellent place to go for rehabilitation or skilled nursing needs.

Tim and his group were a pleasure to deal with throughout the process. There were never any moments of contention or discord. The entire experience was one of mutual respect and professionalism and I was proud to be part of the effort that brought Symphony of Dyer to our community and I believe the citizens of McHenry would have a very similar experience.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rick Eberly". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "R" and "E".

Rick Eberly  
Director of Building and Planning  
Town of St. John, IN